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Subject: Amendment No. 1 of the 2000 MCAG Transportation Improvement Plan
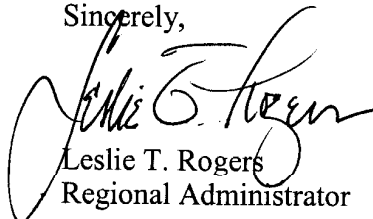
Dear Mr. Morales:

The enclosed joint FTA/FHWA letter approves the MCAG Amendment No.1 to its 2000 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) that was submitted to FTA on July 19, 2001. The Shasta County RTPA Board of Directors endorsed the amendment in November, 2000. We find that this TIP Amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and Section 49 USC 5303 of the Federal Transit Act.

This amendment adds a Job Access Reverse Commute project in the amount of $153,050 and moves $2,200,000 Section 5309 funds out of the triennial element.

The updated programming accomplished by MCAG Amendment No. 1 is for exempt project types identified in Tables 2 and 3 of 40 CFR Section 93.126 through 40 CFR Section 93.127, or have been found by MCAG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. This TIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan and does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan. This finding has been coordinated with the Regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Federal Transit Administration funding approval for individual projects contained in this statewide program amendment are subject to the grantees meeting all necessary FTA administrative requirements.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your transportation representative, Paul Page, at 415-744-3116.

Sincerely,

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Regional Administrator

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